

MORSE DEMANDS CONGRESSIONAL CHECKS ON CIA

WASHINGTON, Oct. 8 (AP)—Senator Wayne Morse (Dem.), Oregon, demanded congressional checks on operations of the Central Intelligence Agency in a speech yesterday denouncing what he called "creeping police state powers."

Senator Ernest Gruening, (Dem.), Alaska, set off the discussion with a speech announcing that he was proposing creation of a Congressional watchdog group on CIA operations.

"I, too, have been disturbed for a long time about the unchecked power of the CIA," Morse said. He said it is unsafe to have any agency clothed with vast powers over which Congress has no check. The CIA has resisted congressional efforts to look into its operations.

Morse said statements have been made that the appropriations committees of Congress have some check on what CIA is doing, but he said Congress is ducking its responsibility by not setting up a watchdog group over CIA.